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Transmittal of Continuing Patent Application - Rule 1.53(b)

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Anticipated Classification

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b), please file a

- ☒ continuation
☐ continuation-in-part
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application of pending prior Application No. 09/228,367, filed on January 11, 1999.

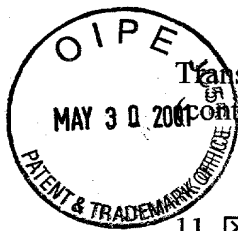
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Title: CUBE CORNER CAVITY BASED RETROREFLECTORS WITH TRANSPARENT FILL MATERIAL

1. ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the oath or declaration filed in the prior application.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a newly executed oath or declaration.
3. ☐ Enclosed is a copy of the specification as filed in the prior application.
4. ☒ Enclosed is a new specification.
5. ☒ Enclosed are three (3) sheets of drawings.
6. ☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
7. ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 This is a _____ of Application No. _____ filed _____.
8. ☒ Please cancel claims 22-34.
9. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
10. ☒ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. Please delete the names of the following person(s) who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application: Michele A. Craton, Michael P. Daniels and Roger E. Luehrs.

The fee for filing the application is computed as follows:

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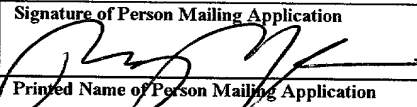
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11. ☒ Please charge to Deposit Account 13-3723 any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required to file and during the entire pendency of this application. This authorization includes the fee for any extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) that may be necessary. To the extent any such extension should become necessary it is hereby requested. A copy of this transmittal letter for fee processing is enclosed.
12. An assignment
- ☒ to 3M Innovative Properties Company is of record in the prior application.
- ☐ from Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company to 3M Innovative Properties Company has been filed/is being filed concurrently in the prior application but is not yet recorded.
- ☐ to is enclosed along with a completed Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
13. ☒ A power of attorney is of record in prior application.
14. ☒ Enclosed is a return receipt postcard.
15. ☒ Other Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs) w/2 sheets of PTO 1449 forms and 2 sheets of PTO 892 forms from the parent application 09/228,367.

Respectfully submitted,

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